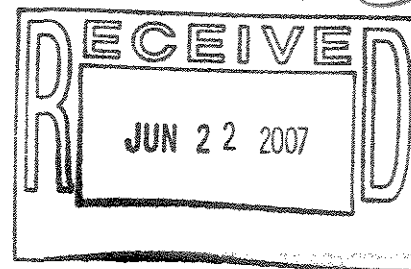




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June 21, 2007

VIA CERTIFIED MAIL

Mr. F. Dore Hunter, Chairman  
Board of Selectmen  
Town of Acton  
472 Main Street  
Acton, MA 01720

**RE: Alexan Concord  
MH #SA-07-001  
Site Approval Application Notification**

Dear Chairman Hunter:

The Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency (MassHousing) is currently reviewing an application for Site Approval submitted by West Concord Development LLC (the "Developer"), an affiliate of Trammel Crow Residential. The proposed Alexan Concord development will consist of 350 newly constructed housing units located on approximately 30 acres (27 buildable acres) of land located at 48 Old Powder Mill Road in Concord. The development will also include surface and enclosed parking, a pool and clubhouse, a tennis court and two tot lots. Although all development buildings, parking and facilities will be located in Concord, site access for the development is via an easement over property located in Acton. The Applicant may seek a Comprehensive Permit from the Town of Acton to allow for residential use of such easement area as a contingency for any final determination that such property is not a public right-of-way.

The site approval process is offered to project sponsors who intend to apply for a comprehensive permit under Chapter 40B. MassHousing's review involves an evaluation of the site, the design concept, the financial feasibility of the proposal, and the appropriateness of the proposal in relation to local housing needs and strategies. As part of our review, we are soliciting comments from the local community and we would appreciate your input. You also may wish to include, in your response, issues or concerns raised by other town boards and officials. Your comments will be considered as part of our review.

Mr. F. Dore Hunter, Chairman, Town of Acton Board of Selectmen  
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The Developer has informed us that the Town has received a copy of the Alexan Concord application and plans. Please inform us of any issues that have been raised or are anticipated in the Town's review of this application. We request that you submit your comments to this office within 30 days so we may process this application in a timely manner.

Please note that if and when an application is submitted for a comprehensive permit, assistance is available to your Town's Zoning Board of Appeals (ZBA) to review the permit application. The Massachusetts Housing Partnership's (MHP) *Ch. 40B Technical Assistance Program* administers grants to municipalities for up to \$10,000 to engage qualified third-party consultants to work with your Town's ZBA in reviewing the Chapter 40B proposal. For more information about MHP's technical assistance grant visit MHP's web site, [www.mhp.net/40B](http://www.mhp.net/40B) or e-mail MHP at [communityinfo@mhp.net](mailto:communityinfo@mhp.net). Also available at MHP's web site are the "Local 40B Review and Decision Guidelines" that were released in November 2005 to provide guidance to local officials as they review comprehensive permit applications. These guidelines have been endorsed by the Department of Housing and Community Development, MassHousing and the other state agencies that finance affordable housing in the Commonwealth.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to telephone me at (617) 854-1360 or Douglas Lloyd, Development Officer, at (617) 854-1372.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



Nancy Andersen  
Manager, Rental Programs & Development

cc: Donald P. Johnson, Town Manager